

Fracking Item #9, Tuesday

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So, the recommendation is to:

1. Support resolution 13-0002-S108 Parks/Blumenfeld to support SB 4 (Pavley) see below link,

 $\underline{\text{http://sd27.senate.ca.gov/news/2013-08-30-california-moves-closer-regulating-unchecked-oilfield-practices}$

2 recent State bills to BAN fracking have failed. This Bill is well positioned to pass and has the support of the Governor. So when adopted, will advance regulations on public notices, permits, and details of chemicals used during the fracking process, and require scientific studies on the impacts of fracking on surrounding communities, and the environment.

The current area where fracking occurs is not in the City of LA but LA County. (Inglewood Oil). Impacts are felt in the Baldwin Hills area of Los Angeles. The regulations imposed by this bill will benefit those residents.

Further study of if and how fracking would be approved in the City of LA should be looked at, but not as part of this item. Instead separately. The impacts on CD 13 should be non-existent, as there are no known areas that would support this activity.

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Additionally, CD 5 will introduce a MOTION calling for an outright BAN on fracking in LA—there are issues with that as some communities could likely have this type of work, and fracking in general is not likely to come to CD13. Although folks would generally be for NO fracking city wide, signing on to any MOTION to ban it without a thorough conversation in areas that we do not control should be closely scrutinized.

CD8 might also introduce a MOTION calling for zoning changes and regulations etc within the City limits—I.E. directing the Planning Department to look at having the planning code take into account fracking. It is recommended that we NOT sign on to this but allow it to run its course, it is likely to die in committee. This was discussed thoroughly by staff and the fact is we need the Planning Department to focus on the many issues that are before it, including our own initiatives and NOT fracking.

Star, please include these notes for the CM's hotsheet on Tuesday.

Thanks team!

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Hey Star: remind me to touch base with you regarding this. I caught it thankfully, but these notes were not included in your Hotsheet. This item is going to be controversial.

Also, just remind me to talk about the Hotsheet generally.

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